

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 1421

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EO 11652: NA

TAGS: PBOR MR

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR MINERAL DATA

REF: STATE 151291

1. CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF OIL AND GAS; ZERO.
2. PROVED RECOVERABLE RESERVES OF OIL AND GAS; ZERO.
3. TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS COMPLETED 1972; TWO EXPLORATORY WELLS OFFSHORE WITH NEITHER IN WATER OF MORE THAN 200 METERS.
4. TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS PROGRESSING AS OF 12/31/72; NONE.
5. OFFSHORE CONCESSIONS FOR OIL AND GAS EXPLORATION; IN EFFECT 12/31/72; THREE CONCESSIONS, ONE EACH TO SHELL, ESSO AND PLANET/AMOCO, TWO OF WHICH HAVE SECTIONS BEYOND THE 200 METER MARK.
6. AMOUNT OF MONEY EXPENDED IN 1972 FOR OFFSHORE OIL

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AND GAS EXPLORATION; NO FIGURES AVAILABLE. TWO WELLS

WERE DRILLED THAT YEAR, ONE EACH FOR ESSO AND AMOCO.  
COMPANIES MAY HAVE DATA AVAILABLE IN US.

7. MARINE PLACER DEPOSITS; ESTIMATED 200,000 MT ILMENITE  
OF UNKNOWN GRADE DISCOVERED 1958 ON BEACH NEAR CAP  
D'ARGUIN. NONE OF THESE DEPOSITS ARE BEING WORKED AND  
ALL ARE ABOVE WATERLINE. SHURTLEFF

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